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PENDING CASES OF TAX RECOVERY
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of cases pending in various Courts and Tribunals for Recovery of Dues both direct and indirect revenue across the country;

(b) the number of cases settled in this financial year so far;

(c) the steps taken for speedy disposal of these cases for better revenue collection; and

(d) whether the Government propose to set up a special bench or a court to exclusively deal with tax recovery cases?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANMANICKAM)

(a) The total number of cases pending in various Courts and Tribunals for recovery of dues are as under-

Sl.No.	No. of cases	Date
Direct Taxes	1,06,201	As on 30.6.2004
Indirect Taxes	32,948	As on 30.9,2004

(b) The details of number of cases disposed of in this financial year are as under:-

SI.No.	No. of cases	Date
Direct Taxes	8170	As on 30.6.2004
Indirect Taxes	4350	As on 30.9.2004

(c) The steps taken for speedy disposal for better revenue coliection include monitoring the pending cases before the Tribunals, High

Courts and Supreme Court, issue of instructions fixing higher monetary limits for filing appeals in an effort to minimize litigation, legislatives measures to correct lacunae pointed out by the courts, periodical meetings with officers concerned to resolve high demand appeals on priority basis, etc.

(d) The Government has introduced the National Tax Tribunal Bill, 2004 in the current session of the Parliament for setting up the National Tax Tribunal. This will expedite resolution of tax related cases and also facilitate early recovery of tax arrears.